SPECIAL MEETING

At 3:00 p.m. Chairman Jewell opened a Special meeting to discuss with County staff, Title 3 funds. He indicated that the meeting was set due to Board questions and concerns. He explained that it was placed on the Tuesday September 7, 2011 Agenda Session, but was removed at that time and staff was asked to schedule a Special meeting to allow time for further discussion.

Judy Pless, Budget & Finance Manager reviewed how the funds work and what the consequences are if the County opts to not be in the program. She explained that there was a year previously that a former Board opted out of the program, and explained that the penalties will take place in the future payments and approximately two years after the year that the County opts out. She explained that essentially it is a situation of either the County participates in the program and the funds will be used for local projects, or the County loses the funds all together. She explained that this year the County was awarded $800,000.00 and that payment would continue to decrease if the County opts out. She reviewed the requirements the Feds impose on the Counties that are in the program.

The Board discussed their frustration with the rules of the Title 3 funds program and the restrictions and consequences attached to those dollars. They discussed some of the ideas they had for distributing the funds if they were to opt out of the program.

RESOLUTION 2011-081


Commissioner Jewell stated that he will send a letter to the Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) asking that a member from the Kittitas County Board of Commissioners be added as a member of the (RAC).

Motion carried 3-0.
The meeting was adjourned at 3:22 p.m.

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Paul Jewell, Chairman